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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

As a consumer interested in protecting competition, innovation, and legitimate use of cable TV content, I urge you to refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1) by NCTA, Charter, Verizon, and all other cable providers. The FCC's integration ban, which in effect requires cable companies to integrate CableCARDs into their own set-top boxes, remains good policy today.

Now ten years after the Telecommunications Act of 1996, cable companies have dragged their feet long enough on competitive alternatives to proprietary set-top boxes, thus hampering innovation and harming consumers. The integration ban will also help market competition prevent further restrictions on cable subscribers' ability to make legitimate use of recorded content.

By adopting content protection limits (encoding rules) in docket no. 97-80, the Commission recognized the importance of allowing consumers to make certain uses of TV content, regardless of a particular cable provider's or copyright holder's wishes. With competition spurred on by the integration ban, consumers would have the freedom to choose the least restrictive cable-compatible device available. The CableCARD standard already prescribes restrictions that harm consumers by limiting non-infringing uses, and such restrictions will get even worse if cable providers' set-top boxes are unchecked by competition.

Please refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Mr. Juan Alday
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INQUIRY FOR JUAN ALDAY

Complaint Type: Cable

Account Type: Residential

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| IC Number: | 07-F0279751 | Case Type: | Inquiry |
| Date Received: | 07/10/2007 | Complainant: | Juan Alday |
| Date Entered: | 07/12/2007 | Date Assigned: | 07/12/2007 |
| Entered By: | PORTALSV1 | Date Reassigned: | |
| Assigned To: | Judy Camel/FCCIN | Service Date: | |
| Date Closed: | 07/13/2007 | Response Date: | |
| Closed By: | Judy Camel | Original Analyst: | |
| Close Letter Needed? | <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Purged By: | Purged Date: |
| | | Removed By: | Removed Date: |
| Supervisor Check: | <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Indecency Referral Code: | |

Current Status: Closed

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Complaint Summary:

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| Apparent Carrier(s): | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<<< Check here if you wish to serve both a Wireline and Wireless carrier. | |
| Problem Number: | |
| Title: None | First Name: Juan |
| Contact Name: Juan Alday | Middle Initial: Last Name: Alday |
| Contact Number: Ext. | Best Time to Call: |
| Fax Number: | Consumer's Telephone Number: Ext. |
| Email Address: | TTY Number: |
| PO Box: | Internet Address: |
| City: New York | Address: 201 W 70Th St Apt 11A |
| | State: NY Zip: 10023-4333 |

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| On Behalf Of: | |
| Company Name: | |
| Party's Name: | Relationship with the Party: |
| Party's Contact Number: Ext. | PO Box: |
| | Address: |
| | City: State: Zip: |
| Other Party that can be contacted? | |
| Name: | Relationship: |
| Contact Number: Ext. | Address: |
| | City: State: Zip: |
| **Amount of credit FCC effort generated: | Duplicate Credit Checked: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |

Have you paid any of the disputed charges?

Did the company billing for these charges adjust or refund some or all of the disputed charges?

If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?

b. Telephone number for the carrier(s) or company(ies) involved

with your complaint, including area code:

Phone: Ext:

c. Which type of service is involved with your complaint: